

IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE WESTERN DISTRICT OF NORTH CAROLINA  
ASHEVILLE DIVISION  
1:18 CV 175 MOC WCM

RONALD WAYNE SPANN,

Plaintiff,

v.

FRANK PERRY, *Secretary of NCDPS,*  
*sued in his individual and official*  
*capacity,* GEORGE T. SOLOMON,  
*Director of NCDPS, sued in his*  
*individual and official capacity,*  
PAULA SMITH, *Director of Medical*  
*Services NCDPS, sued in her*  
*individual and official capacity,*  
MICHAEL SLAGLE, *Administrator*  
*of Mountain View Correctional*  
*Institution, sued in his individual and*  
*official capacity,* DEXTER GIBBS,  
*Assistant Administrator MVCI, sued*  
*in his individual and official*  
*capacity,* CHRISTOPHER CRAWFORD,  
*Assistant Superintendent of Custody*  
*MVCI, sued in his individual and*  
*official capacity,* ROBERT UHREN,  
*Physician MVCI, sued in his individual*  
*and official capacity,* NORMA MELTON,  
*Head Nurse MCVI, sued in her*  
*individual and official capacity,* JAMIE  
GRINDSTAFF, *Nurse MCVI, sued in*  
*her individual and official capacity*

Defendants.

ORDER

This matter is before the Court on a letter received by the undersigned's

chambers from Plaintiff's sister, on Plaintiff's behalf, asking for "some kind of help in this matter." Included with the letter was a psychological evaluation apparently prepared in connection with a separate matter. Doc. 62.

In view of the nature of these materials, and consistent with the Court's treatment of Plaintiff's medical records in the context of Defendant's Motion to Seal Plaintiff's Medical Records Attached to the Affidavit of Robert L. Uhren, Jr., M.D. (Doc. 59), the clerk will be directed to maintain them under seal, without prejudice to the right of any party to request that they be unsealed.

Further, the undersigned will construe the letter as being a motion for the appointment of counsel. That motion will be denied, though such denial will be without prejudice as the letter was not submitted by Plaintiff and is being placed under seal.<sup>1</sup>

Plaintiff is advised that if he seeks any action or relief from the Court, he should make such a request by filing a motion in the ordinary course pursuant to the applicable rules.

It is so ordered.

Signed: November 19, 2020



W. Carleton Metcalf  
United States Magistrate Judge



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<sup>1</sup> The undersigned notes that prior requests for the appointment of counsel have been denied. Docs. 29, 36.